

**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 1617**

S/N 09/867,367

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Applicant:	KUMAR	Examiner:	WANG, S.
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CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.6(d):

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on 2 December 2003.


By 
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed 2 July 2003, said period of response being extended from 2 October 2003 to 2 December 2003.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$420.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

Respectfully submitted,

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